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Technology

$100,000 career grant

The special projects office of Niagara College has received a $100,000 grant to begin a career counselling training program starting in February or March, Dr. Nora McCardell, director of special projects, said.

The grant came after the college received an earlier grant of $50,000 from the Counsel Foundation of Canada (CFA) to look into the status of career counselling in the peninsula. After the findings of the study, the CFA agreed to fund the program for two years.

"There is a need for people who are already in other types of counselling to find out about career counselling," Dr. McCardell said. They should be the best counsellors because they deal with the population at a time of peak need."

SPECIAL GROUPS

The program will be geared towards special client groups such as social counsellors and those with medical facilities in the peninsula, she said.

"Career counsellors work with an individual to make choices about himself and activities he wants to be involved in for the rest of his life," Dr. McCardell said. "They help a person realize his potential and reach that potential fast and easily."

The program is being planned with an advisory group, but Dr. McCardell plans to bring experts in to run the courses. The program will be offered through the continuing education division.

"This is the first time a program has been offered to a service instead of a school," Dr. McCardell said.

"I'm delighted to get the grant because it is a great opportunity for the college to do something new and helpful," she said.

The program is a pilot project, and the ultimate goal is to make Niagara College a centre of counselling training in Ontario and all of Canada.

"This is a giant first step," Dr. McCardell said.

Old St. Nick visits

Santa paid a visit to the Educational Resource Technician [ERT] Christmas party Nov. 26. "I came down in my pick-em-up truck because my reindeer are in training," he said with a jolly grin. Santa gave presents to all the good boys and girls the second-year students brought to the party. Above, Bev Voth asks Santa for a new car [or a passing mark]. Santa set a $300 limit on the price of the requests.

(Photo by Belyea)

Majority favors annual SAC fee

A majority of students are in favor of paying the compulsory $40 Student Administrative Council (SAC) fee, according to results so far in an independent survey by a library technician student.

Patricia Bilous, objecting to a compulsory SAC fee, decided to take a survey to sample student opinion. When she raised her objections at a SAC meeting Nov. 11, council members argued that the money was necessary to sponsor activities.

A. S. Aboud, director of student services, said it is a ruling of the ministry of education that student council fees be included in registration fees. It is up to the individual colleges to establish their own fees.

Niagara's $42 fee includes $2 which goes to the college for health insurance.

Fees at 25 campuses of the 22 colleges range from a high of $68 at Canadore to $35 at Georgian, Loyalist and Sir Sandford Fleming, according to a ministry statement Nov. 27. Thirteen have higher fees than Niagara, four are lower and seven are the same.

Niagara's SAC raised its fee to $40 from $35 a few years ago with the approval of the Board of Governors, Mr. Aboud said.

After meeting with John Giancarlo, dean of applied arts, and Mr. Aboud, Patricia said she learned that the college president, Jacqueline Robarts, made certain stipulations about the survey. She did not want it to take place during class time and said the college would not provide materials for it.

Patricia went to the co-ordinators of applied arts programs and asked them to help her on a personal level. Those who participated did so before or after class.

Patricia said she was pleased with the number of surveys returned but would have liked more accurate results. "How do you get a total picture if everybody doesn't participate?" she asked. At press time only a portion of the results was in.

SAC budget revised, unpaid bills problem

By SUSAN MOORE
Staff Writer

The Student Administrative Council (SAC) has paid out about $12,000 in unpaid bills from last year's SAC.

SAC president Tom Mather said unpaid bills contracted by last year's SAC must be paid from this year's budget. At a general meeting Nov. 20, Tom said, "It happens every year and there should be some way to take the bills out of surplus." This is the third time this year SAC has revised its budget.

Damages from the Year End Bash of $770, ads placed in the Evening Tribune, $234.36; yearbooks, $1,397.95; delivery of yearbooks, $199.95; and $396 for legal fees from 1974, added up to almost $3,000 in unpaid bills.

"A Rowing Club bash that was set up through last year's SAC ended up a total flop," Tom said. It cost SAC $3,092.87. "SAC fronted money for T-shirts and mugs to sell at the pub but nobody showed up and the money was lost."

Tom said, "It's not fair for us or any other SAC because bills mess up the budget."

Last year's yearbook cost this year's SAC $5,500; this, added to the other expenses, totals about $12,000 in unpaid bills from last year's SAC.

Because of the yearbook expenses, this year's book has "gone down the tube," Tom said. SAC is considering a less expensive soft cover version.

NC needs orientation program for foreign students: Fic

By JOHN SURGEONER
Staff Writer

Niagara College should have an orientation program for foreign students to help them adapt to the Canadian way of life, Alexandra Fic, general college instructor, said.

Canada is such a multi-cultured society that it is more difficult for foreign students to learn the customs of the country, Mrs. Fic said. Therefore, a program which would deal with the geography, history, politics and attitudes of this nation would help newcomers to adjust more easily, she said. "Such a pilot could be launched in September," she said. Faculty members could act as instructors in the program over a number of double lunches, she said.

ALEXANDRA FIC

Mrs. Fic, who had suggested such a program a year ago, said the program would not provide all the solutions for newcomers but it could provide some.

"It is the responsibility of social and educational institutions to help this adjustment," she said. Should the college adopt such a plan, it would be the first of its kind in this area.

IS TWO-SIDED

"Adjustment is a two-sided thing," Mrs. Fic said, stressing that both Canadians and newcomers must work together to help in the adjustment to a Canadian society. "When people are in foreign countries, the chances of misunderstandings are very acute. Misunderstandings are bound to happen when people are ignorant of each other," she said. Therefore, an orientation program would help to avoid unpleasant incidents which are bound to occur, she said.

A recent incident at the college over a mask is an example of how such misunderstandings can occur. "This small incident has convinced me even more that we need this type of program," she said.

WIDELY TRAVELLED

Mrs. Fic has been exposed to many varied cultures and societies herself. Born into a Hindu family in India, she was educated in a catholic convent. After leaving the convent, Mrs. Fic married a Czechoslovakian. She has lived in Burma, Singapore and Malaysia. She has studied Indonesia extensively.

"Attitudes of people are culturally determined," Mrs. Fic said. Therefore, when people are in alien societies, adjustment is difficult. "It is not a question of people or cultures being superior or inferior, merely a matter of misunderstanding," Mrs. Fic said.

This is not a problem of any particular country, but a world-wide phenomenon, Mrs. Fic said. Orientation programs would make the transition from one country to another easier and more enjoyable.

Canadian society is a very easy society," she said. "There is no problem, so don't create one."

Increase in demand, Niagara News grows

Demand for copies of the Niagara News has brought about an increase in the number which will be printed of each edition.

An additional 1,000 copies of each edition, up from 3,000, will be available for the next two editions, beginning with this one, distributed Dec. 1, and the Christmas Edition appearing Dec. 15. Pick-up of the newspaper from distribution points will be closely monitored to determine if extra copies will be required next term when the News goes weekly.

A possible reason for the increased demand is that more copies are being sent to members of college advisory committees, Austin Jelbert, journalism program co-ordinator, said. The News' mailing list increases annually as graduates request the newspaper; increased enrolment may also account for the need for more copies.

Most distribution boxes are emptied within two hours of papers being placed in them early on Monday mornings, Mr. Jelbert said.

Florida trip definitely on

The spring break trip to Florida, organized by the Student Administrative Council (SAC) is definitely on from Feb. 28 to March 7.

About 60 to 118 seats will be available to Niagara College students going to the Blue Seas Luxury Motel in North Miami, Tom Mather, SAC president told a general meeting Nov. 20.

The cost will be about $439 double, $409 triple, and $389 quadruple.

"The question right now is how many people are going because it might end up being cheaper."

Weather Outlook

Forecast for today is mainly cloudy with lows of -6 to -2 and highs of -1 to plus 2.

Preparing for the worst

You know it's nearly winter when you can't cut across the lawn because of the fences. Ron Ferderko [left], and Ralph Mannella, erect a snow fence alongside the walk in the middle of the campus. Judging by the snow last Thursday, the plant and property division had uncanny timing. (Photo by Walters)

No credits for SAC

Student Administrative Council (SAC) asked that its members be given credit for working in SAC at the Student Advisory Committee meeting Thursday Nov. 6.

Concessions on deadlines might be given to members and a general elective, Leadership Management, was suggested because outright credit cannot be given, A. S. Aboud, director of student services, said.

Their members would be put into an existing course with alternate types of assignments. Courses might be extended two terms to do the same amount of work as a one-term course, Mr. Aboud said.

NC grads win merit awards

Niagara journalism graduates Mark Tessier and Ken Cherney were awarded second place certificates of merit in a Canada-wide competition sponsored by the International Association of Business Communicators.

Both men were editors of three award winning issues of In Manitoba, the INCO company magazine. The winning issues were August, September and November, 1979.

Mr. Tessier also received a first honorable mention from the Canadian Public Relations Society earlier this year for the February, 1980, issue, of which he was editor.

Mr Cherney was a member of the first journalism graduating class in 1970, and is a public relations officer for INCO in Toronto.

He began his career with the Port Colborne News. After a year he moved to Winnipeg as the editor of the Manitoba Telephone Company's publication, Telephone Echo.

Mr. Tessier graduated in 1976 and worked for the Tillsonburg News for a year before moving on to INCO. He is editor of In Manitoba at Thompson, Manitoba.

NEW CALENDAR

Niagara College's new two-year calendar for 1981-83 was distributed last week.

Exchange student comes from England

Niagara College's Hotel and Restaurant Administration program received its first exchange student this fall. Alison Hamilton has been in Canada eight weeks and is taking year three of the program.

Alison, from York, England, is continuing her education in the hospitality industry and will return to England in April, 1981. "I'm enjoying the experience I'm receiving while studying in Canada, it will look good when I go and apply for a job in England," Alison said.

Before coming to Canada, Alison studied at Highpeak, Derbyshire. She finds the discipline more relaxed at college in Canada and said the lifestyle in Canada is faster and "very different." Alison said she's "been to a lot more parties" while living over here.

Alison discovered the exchange program last year when she roomed with Canadian student, Margaret Rees. "My parents helped finance the exchange," she said. "At first they weren't too enthusiastic but eventually they thought it was a good idea."

Meeting Trudeau thrill for students

He almost sneaked past her as she stood in the private entrance waiting to catch a glimpse of the prime minister.

First-year journalism student Donna McMaster was very impressed when she saw Prime Minister Trudeau for the first time, on the seventh annual Ottawa trip Nov.5 to Nov. 8, initiated by the Canadian Studies Program.

"I find the trip to be extremely worthwhile," Eugene Maltais, political science instructor, said. "Students who go have a renewed interest in government and a better understanding of concepts such as lobby, press gallery and speaker. They seem to have a zest for life that they didn't have before. They find that government is fun."

Some of the highlights of the tour included a tour of Government House (Rideau Hall), a tour of the Museum of Man, a behind the scenes tour of parliament by Gib Parent, MP for Welland, and a theatre party.

Of the 48 students who participated, the biggest highlight was meeting the prime minister.

Students also witnessed a demonstration outside the parliament buildings, Mr. Maltais said.

The main objectives of the tour were; to give students a first hand look at Canadian democratic government at the national level, both the people and the institutions; permit students to see national treasury and institutions found in Ottawa, the Mint, War Museum, National Gallery; to introduce students to the bi-national nature of our country; and to foster "that ol' college spirit" among the students who participate.

The only problem with the tour was the motel accommodations, Mr. Maltais said. The motel in Point Gatineau, was far from everything, there was no hot water, people were unfriendly, it was too expensive and there was a price mix up, Mr. Maltais said.

This trip was open to any students who are taking government courses. The instructors who accompanied the students were Mr. Maltais and Cathy Gillis of law and security.

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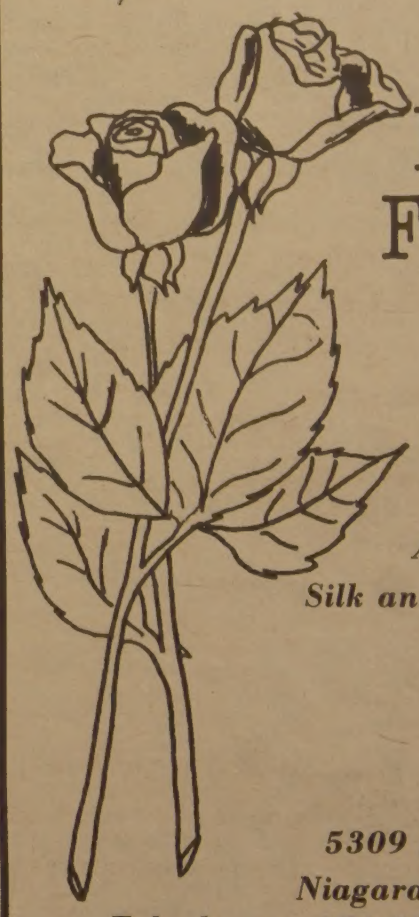

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Call Niagara broadcast proves to be successful

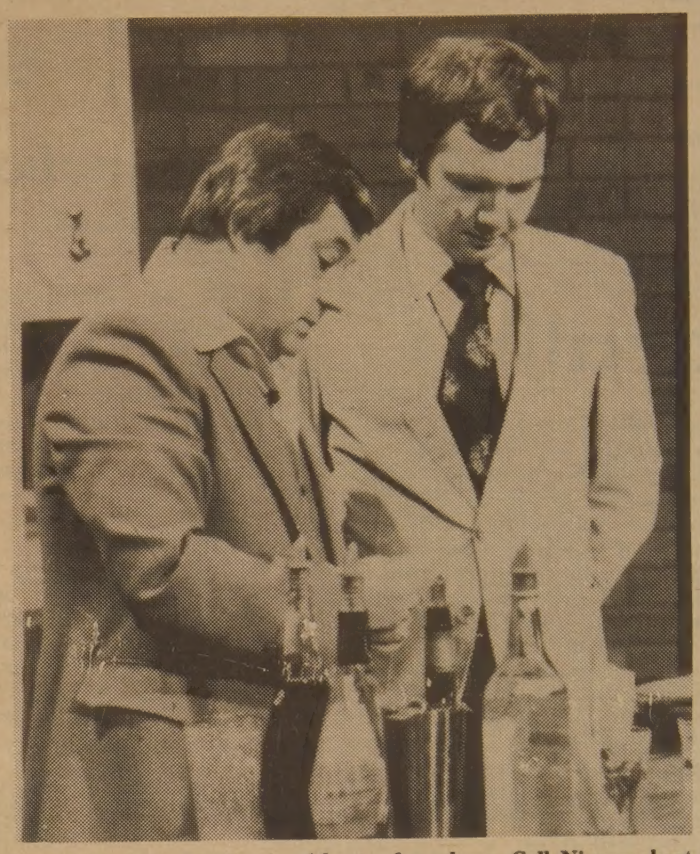
By KENNETH HARE
Staff Writer

The talents of two Niagara College instructors and an instructor from Mohawk College, experts on the topic of hospitality, were featured on a live 90-minute special broadcast of Call Niagara, Thursday, Nov. 20.

Stan West, food preparation and dining room management instructor, and Peter Sullivan, who teaches a wines and beverages course, answered questions from the broadcast audience and demonstrated their skills, as did Dennis Wetzel, who teaches professional bartending at Mohawk College.

On the topic of cuisine, Mr. West demonstrated the proper way to sharpen and use a cutting knife and the preparation of mushrooms for stews and melons for desserts.

Mr. West answered questions from host Stu Black and the audience on food garnishes, spices, and what foods complement the main course of a meal.



Dennis Wetzel, a professional bartender, shows Call Niagara host, Stu Black, how to mix a drink.

[Photo by Hare]

TASTING, COMPARING

Answers on wine appreciation were provided by Mr. Sullivan who demonstrated how to taste and compare wines while Mr. Wetzel showed the audience how to make and decorate mixed drinks.

When drinking champagne, a tulip-shaped glass should be used instead of the wide, open-ended glass popularized in movies because the tulip-shaped glass holds in the champagne's effervescence while the latter tends to let the bubbles disperse into the air, Mr. Sullivan said.

Along with showing how to open a bottle of wine in the proper manner, Mr. Sullivan gave a wine-tasting demonstration which he said should be done in order of the wines' sweetness. He said drier wines should be tasted before sweeter ones which tend to have a taste that lingers longer in the mouth.

Mr. Wetzel, who made several types of drinks, including a pena colada, explained how decorating mixed drinks with fruit slices and other garnishes sells more drinks because they are more attractive.

He said it takes at least six years to become a good bartender but even he forgets how some of the drinks are made. He said teaching bartending is a good way of remembering drinks that aren't made as often as others.

GIVES WARNING

Mr. Wetzel said besides teaching his students how to make drinks he advises them on the responsibilities of a bartender and warns them of the dangers of "slipping into alcoholism."

Mr. West, who has his own weekly program on European Cuisine, said after the show he was a "bit disappointed" that more people didn't call in. He said he thought more people would have called in if his topic had been related more to average home cooking instead of restaurant cuisine.

He said the audience probably enjoyed the demonstrations on the show because he has received more than 100 letters for his own show, many of which are concerned with the demonstration aspect.

Mix-up in prices angers students

By ROSEMARY POWELL
Staff Writer

A mix-up in communications has caused some complaints from the ambulance students over the cost of uniforms, Mary Cunningham, manager of the Niagara College bookstore, said.

Uniforms, originally quoted as being $100, cost the students $150.

Mrs. Cunningham said she got prices and had a salesman come to the school to fit the students.

"I had quoted the price to the instructor of the course, but at the last minute, the problem was mentioned," Mrs. Cunningham said.

Eric Todd, class representative for the ambulance students, took the complaint to the Student Administrative Council (SAC) and then to Jacqueline Robarts, college president.

Miss Robarts said at a student advisory committee meeting Nov. 6 that she "feels very badly." She said she is going to look into the situation to see if the students could get some help from grants but this might cause chaos among other students who didn't receive assistance.

Mr. Todd said the uniform is a necessity and students should not have to pay more than the bookstore.

"The bookstore is charging a high price and they don't have to pay for utilities," Mr. Todd said. "They have their lighting and heating and everything else paid for. Twenty-one dollars is too much to pay for a plain shirt. People are making more than they should."

Mrs. Cunningham said bookstore policy and procedure were established by the college and the policy the store has been following for 13 years lays down the rates of markup.

She said she feels sorry that uniforms are as expensive as they are but, in the light of today's prices, the cost isn't unrealistic.

Mrs. Cunningham was surprised that the uniforms had caused problems; she had thought she had arranged everything with Frank Adamson, program co-ordinator of the ambulance care students.

"Mr. Adamson came to me and said he required uniforms," she said. "He gave me the names of two vendors and I got in touch with them. Mr. Adamson looked at the prices and everything was okay."

Mr. Todd said the students need uniforms to work. "If you don't have money for uniforms, you don't work. If you don't work, you don't graduate."

He said the students have to have uniforms because they were using uniforms that would leave the public with the impression that they were not students.

Miss Robarts said she would like to find a compromise without compromising the system. She referred to the situation as "a comedy of errors."

Muto alderman

After his "very first" attempt at public office, John Muto, 31, Niagara College planning officer in the special projects office, came first in Ward 3 with a total of 1,031 votes in the municipal election Nov. 10.

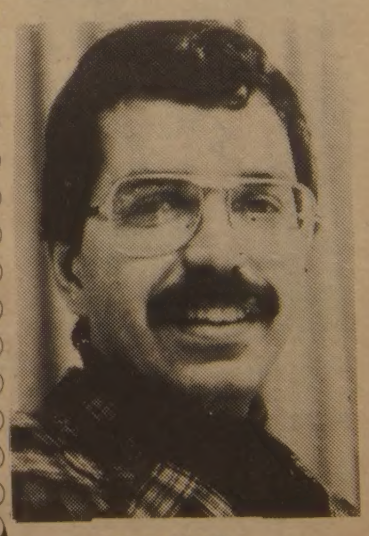
Mr. Muto, who has worked at the college for the past six years, gathered the most votes running against incumbents Mark LaRose and Steven Tirone and another first-timer, Michael Lostracco.

As alderman, he will attend city council meetings and will be assigned to committees by the mayor. "My first and foremost job will be to represent the interests of the people who voted for me," he said.

"I was extremely pleased with the results. A lot of friends and relatives gave me a fantastic amount of support and assistance during the campaign."

Alderman Muto will be Welland's youngest city council member. "It feels great," he said. "I have helped others with their campaigns but it was a lot more fun working for myself."

Mr. Muto has been married for four years. His wife, Louise, is 26. He graduated from the University of Windsor in 1973 with a master's degree in political science.



JOHN MUTO

Law and Security cop cup

Law and Security class 2LS12 is the winner of this year's Corpsuckle Cup with a donation rate of 70 per cent.

Second place went to Radio and Television class 3RT12 with a donation rate of 55 per cent.

The Red Cross received 259 pints of blood, representing 6.68 per cent of the student body. Of the 259 donors, 190 were first time donors.

"Everyone is talking about how well this year's clinic was organized," Eugene Maltais, originator of the Corpsuckle Cup said.

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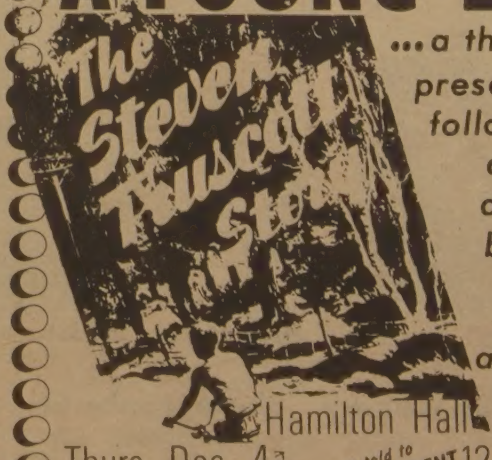

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EDITORIALS

Apathies: all is apathy

Some students have grown apathetic about apathy. In a recent survey done by the Niagara News, students were asked what should be purchased with the Student Administrative Council (SAC) surplus funds accumulated over the years.

With $68,000 in question, a few students who were willing to answer stated they'd like to see tennis courts on the campus — they were quite surprised when the reporters told them what lay on the north side of the Mackenzie building. What's more, it was an obvious indication some students have never bothered to take a walk in that direction and look for themselves.

Despite that, many students were unwilling to take two or three minutes to think seriously about the question; it's justifiable to conclude that some students at Niagara aren't too concerned about the future of the college. Because this is a community college and many students live in the peninsula — some, following graduation, will be employed in the Niagara region — it seems irresponsible to adopt such a nonchalant attitude and look only to their own future and not that of the college.

Worse still, when it was pointed out that the survey was a great opportunity to voice opinion and overcome the much publicized lack of college spirit and excessive apathy in students at Niagara, many students questioned didn't care.

One can only hope students at Niagara will take a more positive approach towards events within the college. If SAC does present the opportunity for the voicing of ideas on the spending of the $68,000 or the approval of what is eventually bought, maybe students will realize it's a great chance to demonstrate a lack of apathy and prove people like the writer of this editorial wrong.

Sheelagh Caygill

Make the most of winter

Now that the first scant snowfall has whitened the earth, most people wait in frenzied anticipation for the worst. They associate winter with bitter winds, icy roads and bundling up from head to toe.

In an area with winter lasting five months out of the year, it is surprising that more people don't look for the good side of all that wonderful white stuff.

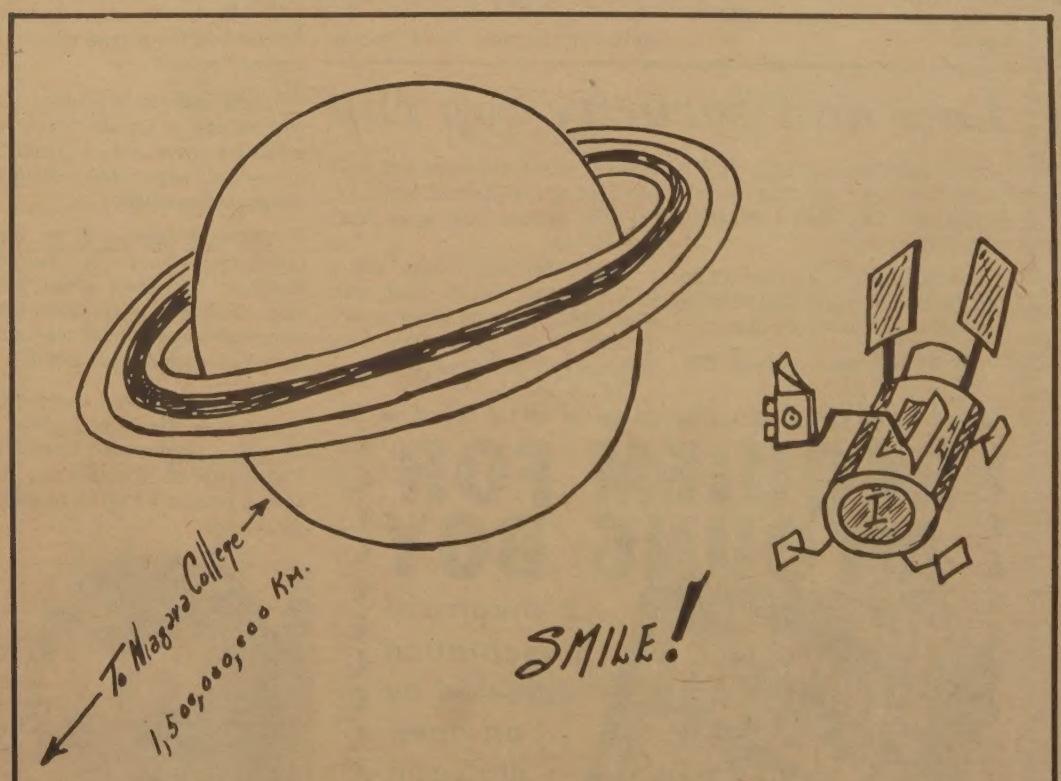
It can be enjoyable. There are many activities young and old alike could participate in and make the cold months more bearable. What about snowmobiling, down-hill and crosscountry skiing, toboganning, skating on an open pond, building snowmen or making angels? Building a fire and sipping wine is most enjoyable on a cold winter night.

The year's most sacred and most secular festivals both fall in winter, Christmas and New Year's. Just imagine if nobody was "dreaming of a white Christmas" or wanted to go "dashing through the snow in a one-horse open sleigh."

Of course, not everybody agrees that winter has any good in it. It's unfortunate that people don't try to appreciate it a little more. Without winter, spring wouldn't be welcomed as warmly, Rudolph could not transport Santa Claus and the bears would be tired all year round.

So this winter, don't frown when snowflakes belt the peninsula; bundle up and "go walking through the winter wonderland." There's more to it than meets the eye.

Karen Runka



News Item:

The Niagara College Amateur Radio Club (Ham club) is receiving some of the history-making photographs of Saturn taken by Voyager I over the past few weeks.

Bullpit

Well...nobody's perfect!

By LAURIE ELLIS
Staff Writer

What are people always striving for in their work or in their lives? Striving for perfection, the ultimate goal, but how often does one succeed in reaching it?

When is perfection ever reached? We all learn early that nothing is perfect nor are people, so why do we constantly expect others to be perfect as we may think we are?

Many would agree that this is a world of hard knocks and that people seem to notice you more only when you are down. How often have we fallen flat on our faces? Yet we are quick to criticize those who do not reach the peak of perfection.

Can one expect others to measure up to their own standards? It is more important to accept others as they are and let them live up to their own standards of perfection rather than your own. If a person receives satisfaction from his accomplishments, who are we to say he has failed just because his standards are different from our own?

We tend to look down at those who fall below our standards. They may be trying their utmost to succeed, possessing a strong desire for success but fail miserably. The agony of defeat in itself is bad enough without someone rubbing it in by humiliating that person in front of others. Stop to think next time before you make a remark to someone. Even if it is said in jest, things can be taken the wrong way or it may be the last straw for that person.

The laugh on that person's face may just be a cover for the hurt inside.

Everybody wants to be good at something, perfect in some way and a person may just achieve it someday in his own way but, in the meantime, we cannot knock them down when they fail in their attempts. At least they tried.

When a person does not measure up to one's expectations that does not mean he is any less of a person than you. We all face failures one time or another.

Perfection in our world seems so far off. For centuries we have been striving for the perfect system, the perfect government, the perfect society and the perfect human being.

Until we reach that, for the time being, just remember that nobody is perfect.

YPCs desire feedback

The only political club at Niagara College, the Young Progressive Conservative (YPC), would like to hear the political views of any student, Conservative or not, Mark Newman, club president, said.

In association with the Ontario Progressive Conservative Campus Association (OPCCA), the YPC are interested in communicating the interests of students to both the provincial and federal governments, he said.

Unlike the OPCCA, Mark said the YPC doesn't necessarily support everything the provincial Progressive Conservatives do, but it does want to make sure the student voice is heard when legislation concerning student loans and grants is in question.

"There will probably be a provincial election in the spring and we want people's opinions on the subject," Mark said.

Mark, a first-year RTV student, said the more members the club has and the more unified it becomes will assure the recognition wanted of the OPCCA and get the students' opinions into the party's policies.

Mark said it would be the goal of the YPC to send members with the backing of the OPCCA, to the federal Progressive Conservative policy convention as representatives.

A person of any age can join and all decisions to be made on club policy will be done by vote, he said.

Just starting out, the club consists of Mark and Pete Maurin, first-year RTV, but they urge people who are curious and want to find out more about the YPC to come to the club's first meeting, Dec. 2 at 12:30 p.m. in S308.

"We feel there is too much political apathy and people should know more about the situation in Canada today," he said.

Student condemns boxing

Dear Editor:

The (war) sport Boxing should be banned. Everyone in the crowd and everyone watching it on the television set wants blood. The viewers jump for joy when their fighter knocks the other stiff as a board. I don't like the sport and I don't like Muhammad Ali, either. The whole business should be banned; these people's (boxers) lives are in danger every time they step in that ring.

Recently a boxer in the amateur boxing league died after he suffered a heavy blow that put the boxer in a coma. The boxer died from a cardiac disease while he was in a coma. The boxer who hit the loser is walking the streets and no one cares.

The society stands and applauds the winner while the other boxer gets carried out on a stretcher. I remember a story about a boxer, Joe Frazier, ex-champ contender. He said, "I could see the ref counting; when I heard the number 10 I could only remember that I was looking up at a hospital ceiling."

All boxing fans and boxers, take a good look at yourselves. Do you see what I see? Yes, a fool indeed. It's as simple as one, two, three; let's ban the sport (war) today. Maybe Joe Louis could have been the president of the United States. The way I see it anyway!

Terry Herkimer,
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Lifestyles

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Profile

Spends life in food business, Fred Bomers served Queen

By MARK WALTERS
Staff Writer

Fred Bomers has spent his life learning the food business, from waiter-trainee in Bochum, Germany, to maitre d' at the Royal Alexander Hotel in Winnipeg, to manager of the Welland campus cafeteria.

But the highlight of his career came while working in Winnipeg — he served Queen Elizabeth and her family.

"Serving the Queen was the big thrill in my life," the 49-year-old former restaurant owner said. "I was at the head table. I had to have shots (inoculations) and everything. I was screened by the RCMP, who were all over the hotel."

Mr. Bomers came to Niagara Frontier Caterers in 1963, and except for eight years as owner and manager of The Niagara Frontier House, a restaurant in St. Catharines, he has served the catering service in various capacities.

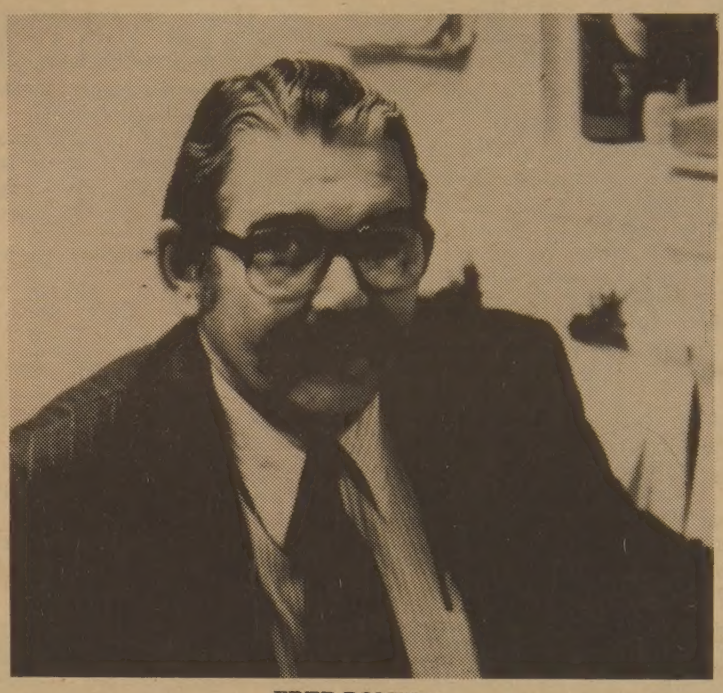
Mr. Bomers was born in Regina and moved to Germany, his father's homeland, when he was two years old.

"My parents were in the food business; my grandparents own a large restaurant in Germany," he said. "I have uncles who are chefs. The food business is a tradition in my family."

"In Europe you have to apprentice to be a waiter," he said. "A waiter has to know how the wine is made, how the food is prepared and where the food is from. An apprentice does not get paid, he receives enough money to survive, that is all."

He served his apprenticeship in Dusseldorf, and moved back to Canada in 1950 at the request of his relatives in Ridgeway. He returned because he had to be back in Canada by the time he was 21 if he wanted to keep his Canadian citizenship.

"When I came back to Canada I didn't know the language," Mr. Bomers said. "My first job was as a caddy at the Cherry Hill Country Club in Ridgeway, then



FRED BOMERS (Photo by Walters)

I moved into the dining room because of my training. I also went to night school to learn to read and write English."

He moved to Winnipeg eight months later and got a job in the dining room at the Canadian Pacific Railway Hotel, where he met his wife-to-be, Minnie. He quickly moved onto room service and banquets, ultimately becoming the maitre d' at the Royal Alexander Hotel.

While at the Royal Alexander, he served not only the Queen, but former prime ministers John Diefenbaker and Lester Pearson as well.

In 1970, during the world rowing regatta, Mr. Bomers cooked and served at a private dinner party for Prime Minister Trudeau.

He returned to the peninsula at the request of his uncle, who was expanding his mobile catering service to include social functions. Mr. Bomers catered banquets and receptions for the newly-expanded Niagara Frontier Caterers.

Now he caters Niagara College functions only, the largest of which is the annual convocation. The staff begins preparing the food five days in advance, preparing 2,000 to 3,000 pastries and meals, Mr. Bomers said.

When he is not working, Mr. Bomers enjoys football — he's an ardent Winnipeg fan, plays "a little accordion" and loves Oktoberfest celebrations and polka music.

However, "in the food business you don't have much of a social life because most of the business is on Saturday and Sunday and holidays," he said. "I haven't had Christmas or New Year's off in 13 years, but I've always enjoyed it. I love pleasing people, and one of the rewards is catering a successful party."

The cafeteria is his major concern, however, and demands most of his time.

"My staff is excellent," he said.

Decision to retire for relaxation

Evelyn Gay, manager of continuing education services at Niagara College and former supervisor at the Greater Niagara General hospital, has decided to retire.

"I'm just looking forward to spring to get out in my garden," Miss Gay, 68, said. The relaxation and spare time will be something of a change for Miss Gay who served as evening and night supervisor at the Greater Niagara for 20 years before becoming director of nursing education at the Niagara Falls campus in 1973. In 1978 the Falls nursing program became affiliated under the Mack Nursing centre in St. Catharines and Miss Gay moved to the Welland campus.

Because she is so involved in her work for the college, Miss Gay must frequently put in very long days. "It will be nice to have some time to entertain," she said.

When Miss Gay joined the college in 1973, the health sciences division was under applied arts. Miss Gay and other members of the health sciences worked towards forming their own school, however, and on Aug. 1, 1974, the School of Health Sciences was formed.

EVELYN GAY

"I've really enjoyed the contacts with other instructors in the school," Miss Gay said. "I've enjoyed it immensely."

Apart from working in her garden, Miss Gay plans to visit some relatives in California and friends in Vancouver.

First-ever reunion for health care grads

A reunion was held Friday Nov. 7 to celebrate the health care aide program's 10-year affiliation with the Greater Niagara General Hospital (GNGH).

About 135 people, including graduates from 1970-1980, representatives from Niagara College and GNGH as well as past instructors, heard Dr. Joyce Boillat speak on geriatrics and attended a wine and cheese party.

The reunion was the first ever held by the health care aide program which has graduated 260 students since 1970. Almost 95 per cent of the health care graduates are now working with the elderly in the Niagara area, Willie Ostrander, co-ordinator of health care aides, said.

Mrs. Ostrander expressed thanks to GNGH for allowing the health care aide program to be a part of the hospital. "The focus of our program is to develop an understanding and caring attitude to those in our care. What better place to learn than where these feelings are demonstrated."

The health care aide program began in 1965 at Grace Abbey Convalescent Home in Niagara Falls under the board of education. In July 1970 the program moved to GNGH and became part of Niagara College's school of retraining.

Muriel Slinn, instructor of health care aides since the program began, spoke for everyone when she said, "So many times classes say, 'Let's keep in touch; it's wonderful that we could all get together finally."

Roving Reporter

$68,000 in SAC trust fund ; what to do with the money?

By SHEELAGH CAYGILL and SUSAN MOORE

What do you think should be bought with the $68,000 Student Administrative Council trust fund?

Mark Chesniak, electronic technician: I wouldn't mind a student bar that serves food at noon and drinks after.

Sergio Marcella, general business: There should be a bar for the cafeteria, or a swimming pool.

Trudy Manoian, second-year fashion arts: A change machine.

Eileen Pope, first-year fashion arts: Why don't they have a few more tennis courts with a bubble over and a track around?

Patty Giles, general business: A swimming pool, tennis courts, stuff like that.

Judy Ventresca, secretary of English and communication arts: Connecting walkways from building to building; this would help everyone — students, faculty and administration.

Sandra Latimer, dental assistant: A leisure-ed course to get the first-year students involved in college life.

Lynda Coakley, dental assistant: They should spend it on physical education facilities.

Learns language, French culture

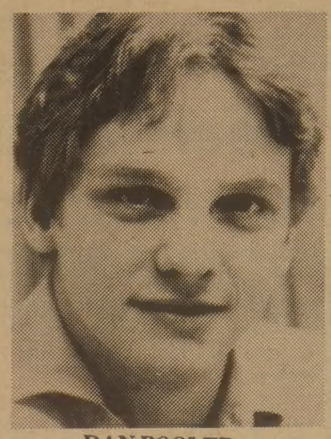
By SUSAN MOORE
Staff Writer

Not understanding the language and being unable to communicate with people can be frustrating, especially when it's in your own country.

Staying in Quebec on a student exchange, Dan Pooler, 22, second year law and security, experienced the alienation to prove he could be bilingual.

Going to Francois-Xavier Garneau College at Ste. Fon, near Quebec City, where only French is spoken, gave him the opportunity to become bilingual. The people at the college are pleased he is learning, and has an interest in,the language, he said.

Dan will be attending the college until December. He wi" return to Niagara and finish his last term in law and security. He read about the exchange in the Niagara News and it was arranged by Nicole Vigeant, administrator of the French language program. He spent the summer at a six-week French immersion program on the French island of St. Pierre et Miquelon, off the coast of Newfoundland, preparing for the course.



DAN POOLER

ON STUDY WEEK

Home on study week, Dan said the courses he was taking did not help his grammar so he took night courses to learn.

"I said a lot of silly things when I first got there; one time I said my grandmother is sickening, when I meant she was sick."

Dan said the students accepted him and were helpful. "There was no animosity, no bad vibes from anyone," he said. The students were willing to talk about politics and there was a liberal atmosphere.

Volunteering in the Canada World Youth Program after graduating from high school "acted as a catalyst to bring out my interest in Canadian unity and Canada's constitution," he said.

He said he wanted to see Quebec's perception of Canada and was opposed to western media's sensationalism of the Quebec situation.

NOT RESERVED

The French students were more extroverted in their social lives and were not as reserved as Anglo Saxons, he said. His teachers were considerate of his position with the French language, but he said the second half of the term will be tougher and they won't be as lenient with grammar.

"French is a beautiful and expressive language," Dan said. He plans to continue with French after he has finished this term; he would also take advantage of an opportunity to work in Quebec.

Dan has an application in with the Royal Canadian Mounted Police and, if he is not accepted, he would like to be accepted by a law school as a mature student. He would also like to go to another immersion program at Laval University, if he is not accepted, he said.

While at the college he had a job as a tour guide and translator and his French has improved as a result, he said.

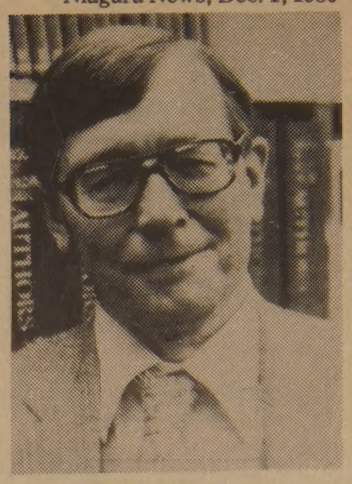
"It is a great feeling when you can talk to someone who speaks French and you understand."

Dan said the only communication problem he still has is his landlady calls him Mr. Poulet instead of Mr. Pooler. Poulet means chicken.

$8,500 to UW

Niagara College has contributed about $8,500 to regional United Way agencies so far this year and the final total will be a small increase over last year's donations. Some pledges are still outstanding.

The 1980 Welland and District United Way campaign exceeded its goal of $282,180.



STEPHEN KEES

Library's book sale raises $200

About two hundred books were sold and about $200 was made from the booksale in the Tecumseh foyer, Nov. 20.

The books were removed from the shelves of the Learning Resource Centre earlier in the year because they were outdated, Stephen Kees, senior librarian, said.

Although several hundred books were to be sold, 28 boxes of books were left inside the centre's door.

"All the books were not put out, we did not have enough time," he said.

Volunteered by their teacher, first and second-year library technician students worked hour-long shifts behind the tables selling the books from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

While some of them had first chance to buy the books, Sandy Sommerville, a second-year student, did not have time to browse.

"I haven't had a chance to look at them," she said, arranging a pile so she could continue with her homework when the crowd thinned out.

The books, varying in subject, were sold in the morning at $1 each. Later the soft covers went down to 25 cents.

Students and teachers travelled down the line of tables seeking books that would interest themselves, friends or relatives.

Pat Menon, an English instructor at the college, walked around with books overflowing in her arms and was still looking through the batch for more.

"They're a great bargain," one student told another.

The money from the booksale will go back to the centre for acquisitions, Mr. Kees said.

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Port Colborne becomes movie town for ABC film starring Chad Everett

By JIM BELYEA
Staff Writer

PORT COLBORNE — A red school bus and a mobile home are some of the signs of change in front of a boarded up grocery store that is now a movie studio.

On the door leading into the store is another sign, "admittance restricted." Some people have ignored this sign and entered the world of the movies.

Port Colborne has become a movie town. "Lucifer Rig," a made-for-TV movie that ABC plans to air in February, is about a monster that attacks an oil rig situated near the Falkland Islands in the South Atlantic Ocean.

Assistant producer John Ryan said Port Colborne was chosen because a gas rig owned by Underwater Gas Developers of Port Colborne was the only one he could find in Canada or the United States that was available for rent.

The filming on the gas rig, Mr. Neil, was done out in lake Erie off Morgan's Point and then the rig was moved to a section of the old Welland Canal where the night scenes were filmed. The converted store was used for doing interior scenes of the rig.

James Cummins, designer, and friend.

The movie has been a learning experience for everyone involved. While the film crew learned about the rig and drilling technology, employees of Underwater Gas had a first hand look at movie making and have been included in some scenes.

Chad Everett, the star of Lucifer Rig well known for his role in the 1970-77 "Medical Centre" series, said, "These guys are good at what they do...They are top men in their profession and great to work with."

Filming on the rig has been completed and the action has moved into the studio where the interior has been duplicated on a slightly larger scale to accommodate lights and cameras, Geoffrey Holmes, art director and designer, said.

Mr. Holmes, who gave four second-year radio television students a tour of the studio Nov. 24, said the set "has to have the same feel" as the real rig. Walls and ceilings are removable so that lights and cameras can film without having to be in the room.

Chad Everett has been busy throughout the filming and in his spare time has gone to local bars, signed autographs and sung with the band.

He has received many invitations for dinner and other gatherings but has had to decline. "I simply don't have the time," Chad said.

NIGHT-LIFE

Other stars—Jennifer Warren, Joseph Bottoms and Lynda Mason-Green—have been shopping in local stores and experiencing the night-life of Port Colborne.

When the shooting is done, the set will come down in one day and will be taken away the next day. "No one will ever know it was there," Mr. Holmes said.

The people of Port Colborne will know it was there. They won't forget.

Even if Lucifer Rig were to die on the cutting room floor, Port Colborne will remember the time the movies came to town.

Chad Everett and Lynda Mason-Green
(Photo by Belyea)

Christmas project for needy

Students of Niagara's Tourism-Tours and Attractions and Retail Management programs are planning a project to assist needy families in the Welland area, Bruce McNiven, tourism instructor, said.

The project will run from Monday, Dec. 8 to Wednesday Dec. 17, and will accept donations from the staff and student body to be distributed to families that would not otherwise be able to celebrate Christmas, Mr. McNiven said.

Donations of canned food and money will be accepted at the cafeteria, Tecumseh Foyer and Simcoe Foyer from 8:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. and 12:10 p.m. to 1:55 p.m. each day. Each location will be staffed daily by students from the programs.

Cash donations will be used to buy hams, chickens and turkeys, Mr. McNiven said.

Names of needy families will be obtained from social services and the gifts will be distributed on Thursday, Dec. 18, Mr. McNiven said.

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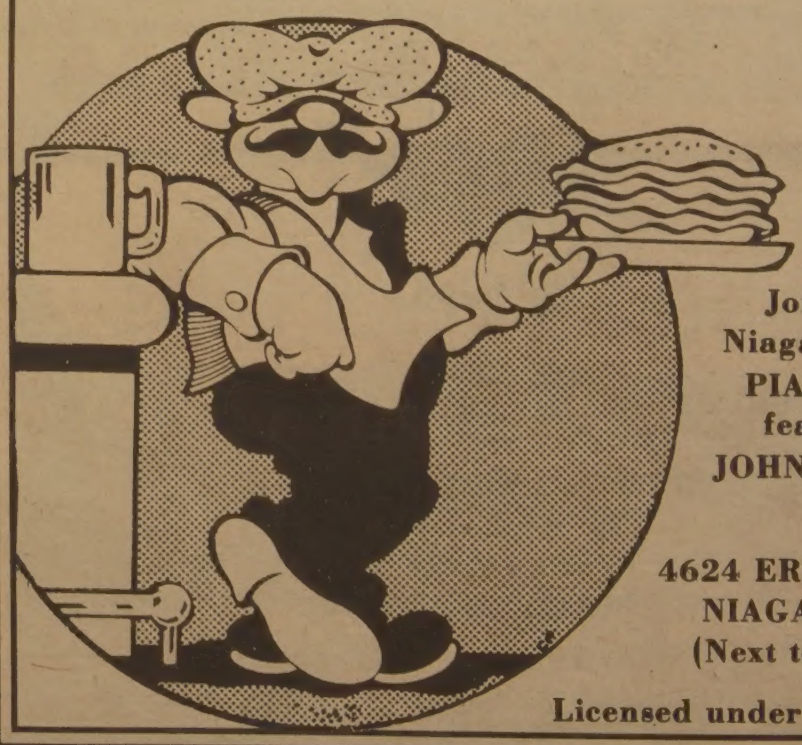

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Jazz, ballet, dance part of night course

By ALISON BAILEY
Staff Writer

The Tecumseh foyer was filled with music during Open House Nov. 9, while Karen Platthy, instructor, and three students danced their way through exercise.

Get up and dance, a Tuesday night course, taught at the college by Miss Platthy, was demonstrated to onlookers.

To the tune of On Broadway from the movie All That Jazz, Miss Platthy and her students stretched, pirouetted and stepped their way through jazz and ballet.

The main purpose of the course is to get women to exercise through dancing, Miss Platthy said.

"We attempt to use as much dance as we can."

A dancer for 23 years, she said she started the program two years ago because there wasn't anything taught along the same lines in the area.

Although Miss Platthy has a full-time schedule working at the Welland library full-time, teaching exercise classes Tuesday nights at Niagara and Thursday nights at the library and teaching ballet for an area gym on Wednesday nights, she said she wouldn't give anything up for the world.

Doctors and chiropractors recommend her classes to people with back problems, heart attack and mastectomy victims. She said in turn she outlines specific programs for them and helps them on a one-to-one basis as well as with the class.

"Age and flexibility don't matter, but I get everyone to check with a doctor before they start the classes," she said.

Since the start of the night course Miss Platthy has had from three to 45 people enrolled in her class.

"I've had people who have been with me since the program started," she said.

This term Miss Platthy has 14 women in her class. She attributed the lower enrolment to a class started in Niagara Falls this year.

The students vary in age from 16 to 60 and can be found in the cafeteria Tuesday evenings from 7 to 9 p.m.

ID cards cause pub problem

Welland Vale students won't have any more trouble getting into pub nights. There has been some confusion because their student identification cards are different from those at the Welland campus and students were turned away at the door.

St. Nicholas comes early to peninsula

Santa Claus will be arriving a few weeks early this year when he makes a visit to Maple Leaf Village in Niagara Falls to participate in a Christmas program sponsored by the Niagara College media department.

The program, which will be taped on Dec. 6 at 2 p.m. in the Maple Leaf Village Theatre, will be broadcast on MacLean-Hunter and Armstrong Cable television on Dec. 11 at 7 p.m., Dec. 14 at 11 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. and on Dec. 18 at 12:30 p.m. and 6 p.m.

Free tickets will be available from the media department in S102 and Gerri Newell in the special projects office, H25B. Tickets will be available to the general public on the day of the taping if there are any left.

"We just want to be sure that Niagara College families have a chance to attend," Keith Lindberg, manager of the media department, said.

The family-oriented program will include Christmas music, local choirs, audience participation and, of course, a visit from St. Nick. Uta Haley, secretary to the mathematics department, and Stewart Black, RTV instructor, will be hosts of the show.

"We are hoping college personnel will participate as well as the general public," Mr. Lindberg said. "If they can't attend the taping we hope they will tune in and share Christmas with us."

Fraser Boyle, second-year theatre student, takes himself to the land of fairy tales where he imagines he is a gallant knight in the land of the Sleeping Beauty. A modernized version of this classic fairy tale will be performed at the Niagara College Theatre Centre Dec. 9 to 18.
(Photo by Bailey)

Vetere's closes

Deep-dish pizza, in Welland, is now a thing of the past. Since Frank Vetere's closed their doors at the Seaway Mall Nov.23, area residents will have to journey to St. Catharines or Niagara Falls for the famous pizza.

Joslyn Pan, former assistant manager, said she thought it was "common sense."

"Based on the sales over the past few months, we were not doing well," she said. "A business can't stay open if it's not making any money."

Sleeping Beauty awakes once more

Due to an overwhelming response, the Niagara College Theatre Centre will be opening its Christmas production a day earlier this year.

"Ten days after the letters were sent out to area schools, we were sold out," John Rapsey, co-ordinator of the program, said.

The sixth annual production will be an adaptation of Sleeping Beauty at the Theatre Centre, Empire St., Welland, from Dec. 9 to 18.

Also the director of the play, Mr. Rapsey said: "This is not a total rendering of the classical Sleeping Beauty story."

This adaptation is humorous and has several songs in it.

In this version by Chris Wiggins, a Canadian playwright, new characters emerge, such as an evil Purple Witch and a lovable Mother Pink.

They "add a contemporary freshness and liveliness to the classic story," Patricia Potter, in charge of box office, said in a press release Nov. 25.

Of the 18 shows to be performed, 15 matinees have been sold out. The three remaining performances are on Dec. 11, 12 and 13 at 7 p.m.

Admission is $2 for adults and $1.25 for children. For more information and reservations, contact the Theatre Centre at 735-0550 or 688-1380.

Committee gets new members

The advisory committee for the industrial management option of the three-year business administration program has six new members and a new chairman.

At a meeting held at the college on Nov.17 John McIntosh, an employee of John Deere in Welland and a graduate of Niagara College, was elected chairman.

Edward Zanetti, co-ordinator of industrial management and supervisory management, said the new members were selected with the help of contacts on the advisory committee and in industry for certain backgrounds and expertise.

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Members of the second-year sales and merchandising class display T-shirts, posters and hats being used in the sale of the student directories. Front row: Steve Charron, Carol Agnew and Sandra Martin. Back row: Gino Villella, Harold Ross and Steve Muse. [Photo by Heath]

Possible resurrection of college prose book

Runes, a collection of poetry and prose by Niagara College students which last appeared in 1974, may be resurrected this year by Joanne Baernstein's creative writing class.

Ms. Baernstein, who teaches part-time in the English department, said she is interested in using some of the material her students do as class assignments for the publication. She said she may use classes in the second term to edit some of the material.

"Any interested student would be welcome to submit work for Runes," Ms. Baernstein said. She said the name Runes as well as the black and white striped cover may be updated.

Runes, copies of which may still be seen buried in the bookstore, was begun by Jim Ross in 1970, while he was teaching creative writing at Niagara College. In 1971-72, the second of its three-year existence, "a staff member took exception to one piece that was going to be in the book," Mr. Ross said.

He said many people felt Runes was representing Niagara College and was afraid the general public would take a dim view of obscenity being produced by the college.

"As I remember there were several angry articles and letters to the editor in the Welland Tribune," Mr. Ross said.

The incident resulted in a warning inside the front cover of the last two volumes: "The contents and language of this publication may be offensive to some people."

Mr. Ross, who works for the Hamilton Spectator, said the idea of publishing some of his student's work came to him when he was teaching creative writing. "I kept getting pleasantly surprised by the work my students were doing." He said he usually submitted the best work of students.

When Mr. Ross left Niagara College in 1974, Runes was no longer published.

Ms. Baernstein said publication of a new Runes will depend on how much interest can be generated and material collected. If anyone is interested in submitting work, he can contact her in S105.

Club offers educational, extra-curricular activities

The Niagara Business Management Association (NBMA) is the largest club in Niagara College after only three weeks of operation.

The club boasts more than 50 members as well as having many faculty members in the club. Hans van der Slagt, dean of business, is a member and supporter of the club.

"But along with being the biggest, we have to be the best," club president Mike Avetissian said. "Every university or college has a business club."

The club will offer educational and social extra-curricular activities. Trips to the Toronto stock exchange, the Oakville Ford plant and Brights Winery are planned.

Various socials including a trip to the Buttery restaurant, a ski trip and dinner/dances are offered.

Guest speakers will be invited.

"This college is crying for a club like this," Mike said.

One-third of all Niagara College students are in business courses, he said. However, the club welcomes all interested students whether they are in business courses or not.

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Allan Turner and Sandra MacDonald [centre] visited Niagara College to renew old acquaintances: James Nicholas, [left] sociology instructor and James Weller, [right] psychology instructor guided them around the college. Both were among Niagara College's first graduates. [Photo by Robb]

Alma Mater days revived, social services graduates visit

By KENNETH HARE
Staff Writer

After an 11-year absence, two former Niagara College students came back to their old Alma Mater to visit for a day and revive some acquaintances they had known when they were part of the class of '69.

Sandra MacDonald-Keller, 32, and Allan Turner, 32, graduates of the first social services program started at Niagara in 1967, said the biggest change they noticed was the college's size.

Mr. Turner said the buildings now present weren't there in 1967, "just a lot of portables."

The main campus was Hennepin Hall which had no more than five classrooms, Mrs. MacDonald-Keller said.

She said they had to take some courses at the college facility on Niagara Street in St. Catharines where the Horticulture centre is now even though their program was centred at the main campus in Welland.

As a good example of just how small the college was when it began, the school of applied arts consisted of two programs: social services and a library technicians' program, Mr. Turner said.

PLEASANT MEMORIES

Both former students said their memories of school life at Niagara College are pleasant ones. They said friendships were created between the students and their instructors because they shared a common situation in being new to post-secondary education.

"There wasn't a class teacher division like there seems to be today," Mrs. MacDonald-Keller said. "The school was just starting, many of the teachers were either from their professional fields and had never taught before or they were just out of teacher's college."

Three of their former instructors who were at the school from 1967 to 1969 are still there. Psychology instructor James Weller and sociology instructor James Nicholas taught at Niagara as well as former psychology instructor, now dean of applied arts, John Giancarlo.

Mr. Turner said when the school opened, many older people took the opportunity to get into a different line of work. He said many of the students were older than some of the instructors, but "all of us were just starting so we were all in the same boat."

Although they went to college at a time when there was a great deal of social and political unrest among the younger generation, Mrs. MacDonald-Keller and Mr. Turner said the most radical (politically) they got "was to have NDP leader Tommy Douglas speak in the cafeteria." They said they were radical "in our course of learning" because they wanted to try new methods of teaching and learning.

Mrs. MacDonald-Keller now lives in Kenmore, New York, where she has been since getting married. She held several jobs related to her field of study at Niagara including working as the supervisor of intake and assessment at the Niagara Centre for Youth Care at the YMCA, St. Catharines.

After graduating from Niagara, Mr. Turner continued his education at George Williams College, Chicago, in 1972, and in 1974 he left Canada and his job as a program director at the same YMCA, and went to the United States.

Energy conservation new American dream

Because the "American dream" has changed—people who wanted two cars in the garage, a lawn to mow and a boat for the week-end now are interested in conserving energy, using mass transportation and attending more cultural events—suburban shopping centre opportunities are drying up, Jim Kanary, of Pen Centre St. Catharines, told second year retail management students at Careers '80 night Nov. 18.

The petroleum crunch, rising prices of suburban homes and suburban crime are also factors contributing to the drying up of suburban shopping centres. Fifty per cent of shopping centre trends for the 80s is for development in urban areas, Mr. Kanary said. "People are taking more interest in their city core."

Most politicians now in office got there by promises of downtown revitalization; "governments are making it very attractive for developers in urban areas."

The question is what to do—renovate existing structures or build new ones. Renovations are costly and must be in the right location.

"Beauty is not enough," Mr. Kanary said. Some look like suburban centres and, at the opposite end of the spectrum, are projects that do not reveal their retail content, such as those contained in office complexes."

Mr. Kanary said the ultimate responsibility is not the developers . Developers need political and financial power to produce projects and must challenge each of their assumptions.

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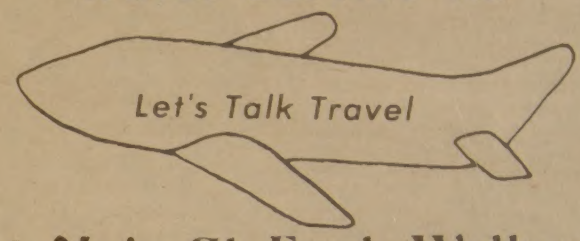

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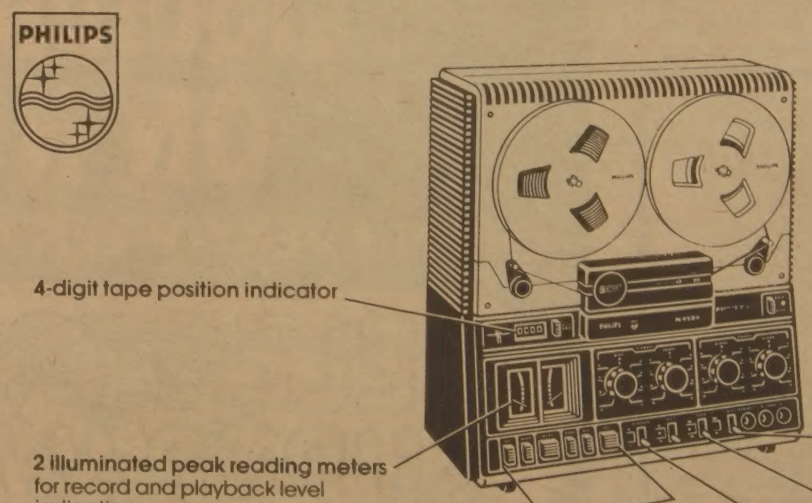
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First winter snowfall

First snowfall of the season covers the campus Nov. 18. It didn't last long enough for winter sports but, with the additional snowfall late last week, it won't be long before the hills are ready for the skiers.

(Photo by Claveau)

Labor studies people discuss objectives

Ideas and problems, strategies and tactics, and problem identification are topics to be shared and discussed when Niagara College is host to a labor educators' development seminar on Dec. 5 and 6.

"Under the Canadian Studies concept, labor unions are a fact of life and require expression through the college course and program system — labor awareness," Dr. Eric Robinson, chairman of the institute of labor and labor management studies, said. "This takes two directions, full-time students and part-time students."

Traditionally labor education was directed to part-time students, he said. But it is becoming increasingly important in full-time studies. This area is short on "tool subjects," subjects which the labor congress would prefer colleges not to teach, but because of the shortage it is only practical for the college to take on the job.

The seminar, sponsored by the Association of Canadian Community Colleges (ACCC), is designed to bring labor studies people together to discuss objectives, Dr. Robinson said. They will do this with guest speakers and workshops. Colleges from across the country will be represented by administrators of their labor studies programs, in particular, Capilano College, Vancouver, B.C., Grant MacEwan College, Edmonton, and the CEGEP community in Quebec.

Guest speakers so far were Gerry Michaud, president of UAW local 199 in St. Catharines, and Ted Jones, president of Welland and district labor council. Workshop leaders will be: Anne Scotton, assitant director, Canadian studies project, and liason to the labor studies committee;Joe Grogan, director of labor studies, Humber college; Michael Bosnich, union advisor, and Dr. Robinson.

The labor studies programs at Niagara are fully endorsed by the Canadian Labor Congress (CLC) but Capilano and Humber are only partially endorsed. Politics play a strong role in the labor and the degree of co-operation between the union and the teaching institution, Dr. Robinson said. One of the topics to be discussed at the seminar is the "extent to which we should associate with organized labor in developing program concepts."

A registration fee of $25 for college personnel and $50 for observers will be charged.

Only female in welding course finds some negative attitudes

By SHEELAGH CAYGILL
Staff Writer

It wasn't until the Second World War that women's potential for working in the world of technology was well and truly recognized, said Tracy Espaniel. Despite that, Tracy, 19, is the only female enrolled in the fabricating and welding program at Niagara College, Welland.

Entering a technological field and being the only girl in the course, Tracy said she has encountered some negative attitudes. While taking Introduction to Non-Traditional Occupations at Niagara College prior to studying welding, Tracy went on a tour of Hayes-Dana with a group of students. During the tour one employer said he would only hire men "even though he knew women could do the job equally well."

"My father really likes the idea of me taking welding, but most people who criticize me for taking this course know nothing about welding and are usually unemployed themselves," said Tracy. In fact "people don't know too much about welding but they are interested - we had 1,473 visitors at the Open House."

Included in the courses Tracy takes are practical welding and drafting. "I really enjoy the welding because I learn more there than I do anywhere else. In drafting I have to make up a pattern before welding steel, and a blueprint."

TRACY ESPANIEL

SAFETY IMPORTANT

Tracy, who demonstrated welding at Open House, said there are important safety factors involved in welding.

"You have to make sure no one is watching you when you start welding — the ultra-violet rays could damage a person's eyes and you shouldn't watch someone else when they are working," she said. "Also, you have to know all about the different gases and temperatures and how to set up the machines."

Tracy originally took hairdressing and enjoyed the cutting aspect of the job but "didn't like the thought of doing it for the rest of my life."

She was trained on the job at Essex industries and worked for five months manufacturing wirings for the insides of large autos. Then, along with many other people in the peninsula, she was laid off when the demand for large cars began to fall dramatically.

Tracy said she "loves" the work she is learning and on graduating would like to work underground because there is so much risk and the pay is very good."

So, for those women who saw Tracy at Open House and would like to follow her initiative, weld your hope and motivation together and go ahead.

Being mechanically inclined, Tracy was advised by Manpower to take Niagara College's Introduction to Non-Traditional Occupations. The purpose of the eight-week program is to promote equal employment opportunities by preparing women for entry into occupations they have traditionally overlooked. After finishing the program, Tracy decided to take welding.

Truscott play

Requiem for a Young Boy, a play about Seven Truscott, will be presented in the Hamilton Room at noon Thursday.

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Attitude, appearance vital for job seekers in retail management

By MARA ILIC
Staff Writer

Success in retail management today is based not only on educational background but also on attitude and appearance, Anne Charette, of Pen Centre Personnel in St. Catharines, told second year retail management students.

The graduating students held Careers '80 in the Tecumseh Staff lounge Nov. 18. Members of the advisory committee, executives from local retail organizations, school of business administrators and representatives from the president's office.

This was the second annual Careers night for retail management students — "a real motivating evening," as Don Pearson, retail management co-ordinator said. It began at 7:30 p.m. with wine and cheese then moved to Lundy 1 where three guest speakers — Ms. Charette, Matthew Fisher, St. Catharines Merchant's Association, and Jim Kanary, Pen Centre — talked about different aspects of the business world in the '80s. A panel of business executives answered student questions.

TRAIN ON JOB

Up until a few years ago, the retail and industrial markets often allowed applicants without sufficient education or background to "pick and choose" jobs, Ms Charette said. "They then could work their way up or get on-the-job training.

Now the trend has reversed. Employers are selective and educational facilities have become more refined. "Employers will overlook lack of experience if they see what they consider to be good potential in an applicant," Ms. Charette said.

She stressed that flexibility is an important skill in retail management. "Trainees must be able to jump from handling problem customers to dealing with salespeople, handling ads and promotion to preparing budgets," Ms. Charette said.

Students are able to get all the information they need from Careers '80 about possible careers. Most of the guests hired Niagara College students at some point as part of a co-op program. Students are able to show their appreciation.

"It's a career opportunity for students," Mr. Pearson said. "A lot of students will walk out with jobs."

FIRST CO-OP

Mr. Pearson said retail management is probably the first course at Niagara College to use a co-op approach. It takes place in the second year of the program and students work for a month out of each term. Working places are changed each month. "This gives students a full picture of retail management," Mr. Pearson said.

Randy Cole, a 21-year-old management trainee at Robinson's and a graduate of the program, said the course helped a lot. "We learned a lot of basic things that came in handy," Mr. Cole said. "It was also good in helping you make contacts."

Employers are looking for employees with initiative: "self starters who are not afraid to make mistakes but have enough confidence in their own ability that they can make good, quick decisions and justify them," Ms. Charette said.

Ms. Charette concluded with a tip she learned from her first boss: "Anyone can find fault with a system but it's all we have until someone has a suggestion that will improve it."

IROQUOIS ART

Brenda Vance, of the Association for the Advancement of Native north American Arts and Crafts, holds a lithograph of "CReation" by Iroquois artist Arnold Jacobs. The painting represents the Iroquois legend of creation. (Photo by Payne)

Niagara establishes safety committee

A new safety committee whose objective is to oversee safety and health matters throughout the college and its many campuses has been established at Niagara, Jacqueline Robarts, college president said.

The committee, comprising nine members, will meet early in December to "define terms of reference and develop the strategy to meet objectives," Miss Robarts said.

The Committee members, including Glen Brooks, chairman, are three members of the support staff, four faculty members and two people from administration. The committee is in accordance with the occupational health act and members were appointed by the Ontario Public Service Employees Union.

CRNC links satellites

In efforts to bridge the communication gap between Niagara College's main and satellite campuses, College Radio Niagara (CRNC) is preparing to link the satellites with their station.

Student council president and producer of the radio station, Tom Mather, said it is just a matter of finding out where they want their speakers on the various campuses, as well as working out any other technicalities. "Setting up the cable system can be done by Radio and Television (RTV) students," he said.

Student council has already set $1,200 aside to pay for cable rental and it should be able to get a reduced rate from the cable station, Tom said.

Tom said he felt it was up to the main campus and SAC to put an end to the poor relations with the satellites. Not only will the satellites be able to find out what is happening at the Welland campus but they can also let others know of their activities. The satellites expressed interest in the project and appear equally in favor of strengthening ties with the main campus, he said.

SAC representatives have been placed in each of the satellites this year to give them better representation and starting with the Teenage Head pub, tickets will be sold there, he said.

Staff assoc. soon to fill vacancies

Although the administrative staff in community colleges does not have a union, they do have an administrative staff association (ASA).

The ASA of Niagara College will be holding its annual election some time this month, but an official date has not been set. Eleven people have been nominated to fill nine positions. From those who are elected, an executive is picked, Eugene Gillies, director of continuing education, said.

Any participation in these duties is extracurricular, not part of their regular job, he said.

Nominated in the election are: Eric Robinson, chairman of the institute of labor and labor management studies; Gail Hilyer, a manager of continuing education; Patrick Della Valle, receiving and shipping supervisor; Douglas Campbell, chairman continuing education; Stephen Kees, head librarian; John Coles, building supervisor Welland Vale; John Muto, Programmer analyst; Barbara Fonfara, school of health sciences secretary; Mary Cunningham, bookstore buyer/ supervisor; Rosemary Kuhnigk, school of business secretary; Margaret Freeman, secretarial legal and economic studies chairman.

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Dr. Mary Vachon, mediator, Margaret Darte, Isabel Huckvale and Kathy Fairley shared their experiences of successfully coping with sudden death. They made up the panel that concluded the second annual seminar on death, grief and bereavement in Niagara Falls, Nov. 20.

[Photo by Clark]

Coping with sudden death, role reversal taking place

By DOROTHY CLARK
Staff Writer

A remarkable reversal in behavior is taking place among those who suffer grief, Dr. Robert Fulton told a seminar on death, grief and bereavement in Niagara Falls.

A philosophy becoming more apparent all the time — Life is for the Living — shows in a lack of grief and business-like manner of some people when a death occurs in the family. Dr. Fulton, director of the centre for death education and research, University of Minnesota, said. Rapid social change is playing a profound role in the concept people have of death today.

The second annual seminar held Nov. 20 discussed means of helping survivors and caregivers to cope with sudden death.

Dr. Fulton said almost 100 per cent of care-givers attended funeral services for those they cared for. Nurses, who become emotionally attached to a dead person, becomes angry when they see a lack of grief expressed by family members.

A few years ago death was "a relatively simple concept." Absence of the vital functions was determined by sight, smell and touch. Today death is "freighted with implications," not only medical but legal. Electroencephalograms and computer reports are used.

"The quietest revolution but most consequential is the population explosion." About 200,000 Candians will die this year, but is won't change the country one iota, Dr. Fulton said. "The world goes on as if nothing has happened."

In contrast the United States is still recovering from the death of one man. A "collective, nation-wide grief" struck in 1963 when John F. Kennedy was killed. Phenomena like nation-wide grief rarely occur now, he said.

In the past "children had a monopoly on death;" today the elderly have the distinction of being the proprietors of death. The elderly die over longer periods of time, and usually after stays in institutions which break close family ties. The result is a lack of grief by many people.

In contemporary technological countries people see the elderly as useless with nothing to offer, so their death doesn't matter. The elderly begin to see themselves in this way also, Dr. Fulton said.

When these feelings become too much, the result is often suicide. The suicide rate for white elderly women is up 25 per cent in the last five years. Dr. Fulton said the elderly "are encouraged to jump before they're pushed," by groups like Exit. On the other hand millions of dollars are spent on suicide prevention centres for youth.

Suicide is different from other sudden death. The survivors often experience feelings of guilt and shame. It "spoils the identity of the survivor. The person wonders what they did wrong, and feels their hands are tainted with that person's blood."

Venting suppressed anger towards the dead person can be the most healthy way of dealing with the loss. Closed caskets may inhibit the release of anger. Suicide evokes a unique, subjective response. Each person must develop his own means of coping, Dr. Fulton said.

The Hippocratic oath was devised when life expectancies were 25 to 35 years. People were still young and the prolonging of life was commendable. However, is it still realistic today when people live to 95 and suffer immeasurably, Dr. Fulton asked.

Widowers go on to remarriage much faster than women. Men are socialized not to grieve, Isabel Huckvale, a member of community contacts for the widowed, said during a panel discussion at the end of the day.

Dr. Fulton said before people can love or live again, "they must psychologically empty their bottle of libido." Remarrying is often disastrous if feelings for the first wife have not been put in their proper place.

Dr. Mary Vachon, research scientist at the Clarke Institute of Psychiatry in Toronto, said expressing what you feel is often difficult. "Writing is a very effective way of dealing with grief."

The seminar was presented by the Ontario Funeral Service Association and co-sponsored by Niagara College. Evelyn Gay, a manager of continuing education services, was the liaison officer for the college.

The day-long seminar consisted of a morning lecture with workshops before and after lunch. A panel discussion among women who managed to cope after a sudden death in the family concluded the day. This particular seminar was also held in London and Ottawa.

Inquiries show obesity kills many

By MARK WALTERS
Staff Writer

Obesity is "the cancer of the medical system" and a national tragedy, Dr. Kenneth Walker, who writes the syndicated column The Doctor's Game under the pseudonymn Dr. Gifford-Jones, says.

Dr. Walker is a practising gynecologist in Niagara Falls. Many surgical patients die each year because they are obese, he said at a seminar for women at Niagara College Nov. 10.

"Inquiries into surgical deaths usually result in findings of 'anesthetic reactions' or 'post-operative complications,' " the doctor said. "They don't get to the heart of the matter — the reactions and complications were caused by obesity."

Obesity causes many diseases such as diabetes, cancer of the uterus and ovaries in women, gangrene and arthritis. Obese people are 10 times more likely to break a bone he said.

There are two types of diseases, those people get and those they make. In the past the diseases people got were the most dangerous, but now there are cures and vaccinations for most communicable diseases, Dr. Walker said.

Today people are creating more diseases than they are getting because of a poor diet.

"If you put garbage into your body, you get garbage diseases," Dr. Walker said. "The greatest self-made diseases are obesity and diabetes."

Of 10 million diabetics in North America, one million are victims of bad luck, the rest "gorged themselves to diabetes," he said.

"We are eating too damn many calories of everything," Dr. Walker said. "Calories are like dancing with a grizzly bear; he may be cute but eventually he'll give you one hell of a lethal whack."

North America must "change its philosophy on life" if it is to remain healthy, the doctor said. People must develop a good lifestyle and stick to it and pick a weight they will never go over.

"The belief that as you get older you gain weight is not true," Dr. Walker said.

The cornerstone to a good life is a good diet, and the cornerstone to a good diet is an adequate fibre intake, he said.

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Hopes for a basket

Cindy Deterling takes a shot against Mohawk in the Nov. 18 game in Hamilton in which Niagara was defeated 55-47. Top scorers for Niagara were Carolyn St. Angelo, 12 points, Cindy, 11, and Betty Vanruyven, five.
(Photo by Heath)

Niagara defeated

Niagara's men's basketball team could not develop the offence to work the ball inside Humber's defensive line Nov. 26 and lost 78-58.

"It's the same old story week after week," coach Dan Radobenko said. "Excessive turnovers by our team gives the other team the ball." Niagara had 15 turnovers in the first 20 minutes of the game. "That's almost one a minute," he said.

High scorers for the game were Brian Hostick and Henry Vangameren, for Niagara, both with 15 points, and Glen Samuels, 13 points, and Dan Stoberman, 12, for Humber.

Good defensive play and fast moving players had Humber scoring 46 in the first half and Niagara 18.

In the second half Niagara's turnovers went from 15 to 3. "The score was reasonably close and the shooting was far better in the second half," Mr. Radobenko said.

Niagara's record is four straight losses.

Final effort fails Niagara loses 50-36

A late burst of energy in the second half was not enough as Niagara College's women's basketball team lost to Humber College 50-36 on Wednesday night.

It was a hard loss for the Niagara team after they had beaten Sheridan College 58-33 on Nov. 12, leaving their record at 2-1. Niagara worked hard during that game, earning every point they got.

Commenting on Wednesday night's game, a disappointed coach, Russ Stevenson, said: "Players win, losers don't."

"We played a poor game," Mr. Stevenson said. "We have more talent than any other team in the league but we're just not getting done what has to be done."

Humber was able to score on several occasions because of too many defensive mistakes by Niagara. Mr. Stevenson said that almost every point that Humber's high scorer got was from inside Niagara's defensive line.

"The defence was the pits," he said.

HIGH SCORERS

High scorers for Niagara were: Carolyn St. Angelo with 18 points, CindyDetering with six and Betty Vanruyven with five.

High scorers for Humber were Lori Badder with 27 points and Donna Lidstone with 15. Both girls played an outstanding game.

Niagara didn' give up but neither did Humber. Hard working performances by Niagara's Carolyn St. Angelo, Fran Russell, Betty Vanruyven, Terry Cushman, Cindy Deterling and Elizabeth Nieuwesteeg were just not enough to stop the eager Humber team.

Niagara defeated in final minutes

Niagara Knights captain Joe Mitchell scored two goals and goaltender Don Nadeau turned in a spectacular performance in a losing cause as Niagara lost to a small but speedy Canisius College team 7-6 in a game that was played with men in the penalty box for nearly half the time.

Mitchell scored his two goals back-to-back late in the second period following a 55-second stretch where four goals were scored.

Niagara opened the scoring at 9:49 of the first period after winger Lari Carter muscled his way past the Canisius defence and centred a pass to Greg Johnstone, who fired a wrist shot into the upper corner.

Earlier in the period, Niagara was two men short, and Nadeau made several acrobatic saves, frustrating the Canisius shooters. Nadeau stopped 30 shots in the game, many of them from close in.

Canisius tied the game a minute later; centre Gary Roesler scored his first of three goals.

GAVE UP PUCK

Canisius scored again with just 35 seconds left in the first period when Niagara gave up the puck in their own end.

In the second period, with Canisius leading 3-1, Bruno Skubol scored for Niagara, setting off a scoring flurry that left both goaltenders stunned.

Roesler finished off his hat trick just 29 seconds later, scoring two goals 12 seconds apart.

Niagara fought back. However, Rick Pasco scored 14 seconds after Roesler, and the team began to put pressure on the Canisius goal.

LOST STEAM

Canisius scored a controversial goal at 11:15 that took the steam out of the Niagara attack. Canisius seemed to ice the puck, but the referee failed to call it. Canisius beat Niagara to the puck and scored on a surprised Don Nadeau.

Coach Fred Bassi was unhappy with the call.

"The referee didn't call it because he said we didn't try for it," the coach said.

Niagara was disorganized in the third period, failing to capitalize on numerous good scoring opportunities.

Bod Beres finally tied it for Niagara mid-way through the final period, but Canisius put the game away with four minutes left to play after a scramble in front of the Niagara net.

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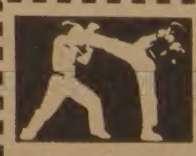

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Desire important asset

By ROSEMARY POWELL
Staff Writer

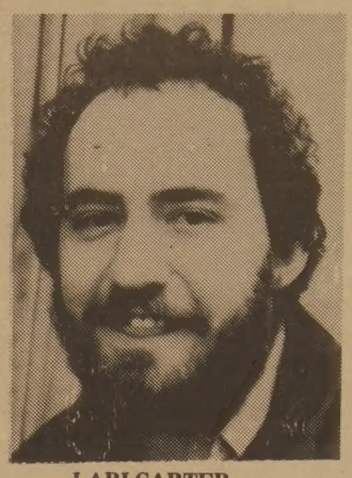
Ask an athlete what he feels is his biggest asset to his team, and the reply is always the same: my speed, my height, my shooting or my checking. However, 26-year-old Lari Carter has his own special quality on the Niagara Knights hockey team: his desire.

Calling himself the "hard-nosed worker," Lari said; "When I made the commitment to play hockey, I was out to give it my best. I don't like to do things half-ass."

The six-foot left winger started playing hockey at the age of 16 in his hometown Toronto. He started out playing house league and then moved on to the Metropolitan Toronto Hockey League playing for the Westford Raiders. Lari is in third-year Radio and Television (RTV), and has played on the Niagara Knights since he came to Niagara College.

After getting his priorities straight, Lari has been able to find time, not only for hockey, but for his school work and his position as vice-president of athletics on the Student Administrative Council (SAC).

"In the beginning, my school work was suffering," Lari said. "Now, I've got my priorities straight and my school work comes first."



LARI CARTER

SOME SACRIFICE

Lari said the only sacrifice he's had to make is his "social life."

"Accomplishment is the most important thing to me. If you don't accomplish things then you don't feel your true worth."

Lari said the Niagara Knights hockey team is "just beginning to jell."

"We lost our first three exhibition games because we just weren't together and we hadn't scrimmaged much."

Otherwise, Lari said there is good spirit on the team, and good leadership.

"The captain has a lot of respect from the team and the rookies have respect for the veterans," he said.

Although Lari said there are twice as many fans attending the games compared to last year, there still aren't enough students who will give up a couple of hours on a Friday or Saturday night to come and cheer the Knights on.

"Community colleges have almost no school spirit," Lari said. "College students are students from nine to five. There are a few parents coming out to watch us and a few of the faculty as well, which is good."

Lari said students, instead of going out and sitting in a bar spending more and more money, should come and watch some entertaining hockey for free and "then go out for a few beers."

"If you can't sell it on just the product, then something's wrong. Promotion is too expensive; you can't keep giving away free things at a game just to encourage people to come."

If and when there's time left over, Lari likes to play tennis, basketball and boxes for exercise.

"I'm a fan of everything except curling and lacrosse. I like to play competitive sports because I like to play hard. Intramural sports don't offer that competitive edge."

Lari said he tried boxing competitively once but "never again."

"I got knocked out once and didn't like the feeling."

Lari is a Grade 12 graduate of Birchmount Park Collegiate Institute in Scarborough and, upon graduating from Niagara College, he would eventually like to end up doing play-by-play or color for big league sports.

The high scorers against Mohawk were, from left to right, Henry Vangameren, Harold Ross and David Patterson, each with eight points. (Photo by Heath)

Niagara peters out

Represented by only six players, the men's basketball team lost to Mohawk College 78-34 in Hamilton.

"We did reasonably well except for the poor second half," coach Dan Radobenko said. "It was a fantastic first half."

The high scorers for Niagara in the Nov. 18 game were Dave Patterson, Harold Ross and Henry Vangameren, all with eight points. For Mohawk the high scorers were Dave Boorsma, 19; Harry Van Laar, 14, and Steve Grossi, 13.

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Niagara opened the scoring in the first half and stayed close to Mohawk in scoring. Niagara held the lead twice by the three-minute mark but lost it after that and never regained it.

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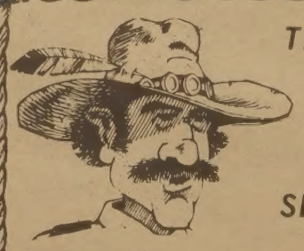
Towards the end of the first half, Niagara seemed to be having difficulty contending with the larger opponents.

In the second half, there were six minutes of constant turnovers by Niagara that cost about 20 points, Mr. Radobenko said.

Mohawk took advantage of the fact that Niagara only had six players and used long passes and fast breaks to tire the Niagara team.

Mohawk came out early in the second half and pulled away quickly from Niagara. Niagara only scored nine points in the second half.



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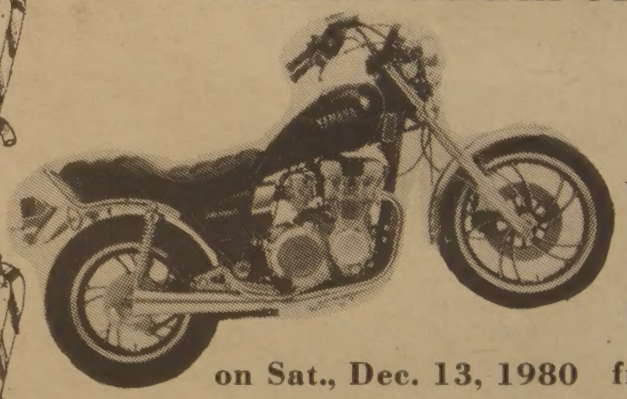

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Liz Daws, interviewer for Westinghouse, greets Randy Morris, 20, a third-year industrial management student. The Westinghouse interviews, the first on-campus interviews of the year, took place on Nov. 21 and 24. (Photo by Payne)

Westinghouse first to hold interviews

With the first snow already fallen and the new year rapidly approaching many students know that interviews, applications and resumes will have to be dealt with in the not-so-distant future. For 25 students in Niagara College's mechanical and technical engineering program the job search began early as Westinghouse held its annual on-campus interviews on Nov. 21 and 24.

Westinghouse, located in Hamilton, is the first company to recruit 1981 Niagara College graduates. The next interviews won't be held until January, "the start of the busy period for on-campus interviews," Kenneth Anderson, Niagara College placement officer, said.

"We tell the students to come in a bit early for their interview and prepare themselves," Mr. Anderson said most students are nervous; "it is the first interview of the year and maybe the first ever for some."

MAKE PREPARATIONS

Throughout the interview days as students wait for their interviews to begin, they could be seen in the placement area making some final preparations.

"Do I look all right," Steven Apps, with the unlucky distinction of being first on the list, asked no one in particular as he headed to his interview.

"I think the day of the hard-line interviewer is over," Mr. Anderson said. "Now companies seem to send people who put students at ease right away."

WARM SMILE

Elizabeth Daws, interviewer for Westinghouse who greeted each student with a warm smile and handshake before the interview, said she tries to make her interviews as painless as possible.

Mrs. Daws, who has been interviewing for Westinghouse for eight years, said Niagara College ranks third of Canadian community colleges for graduates hired at Westinghouse.

Andre Mercier, 19, was "a little nervous" as he waited for his interview. He said students were given "a full range of questions to prepare ourselves, whether the interview was really rough or not."

No matter how each student felt about his first interview, the results are something each will just have to wait and see about.

NF seminar for tourism

Niagara College tourism students attended a half day seminar held at the Park Motor Inn, Niagara Falls, sponsored by the Ontario ministry of tourism and the tourism advisory committee Wednesday, Nov. 12.

First year students took part in the "We Treat You Royally" program which instructs tourism employees in hospitality. After completing the program they received a hospitality pin and certificate.

Machine shop to be expanded

A grant of more than $400,000 was received by Niagara College for expansion of machine shop facilities at the Welland Vale campus.

The ministry of colleges and universities approved the grant for purchase of new equipment and renovations, Eugene Gillies, director of continuing education, said.

The continuing education services did a survey of local busness and industry to ensure that the money would be spent on equipment that is compatible to equipment used in the area, Mr. Gillies said.

Niagara College graduate newly-elected senator

Kenneth Williams, a Niagara College graduate, was elected Dominica senator in his homeland.

Mr. Williams, a self-employed farmer in the Woodford Hill district of this West Indies country, won with 715 votes of 1,911 in the Wesley district. Many of the people running in the election were masons, laborers and businessmen, The New Chronicle newspaper, reporting the election results, said.

A member of the Freedom Party which scored a landslide victory in the Dominica election, Mr. Williams graduated from air conditioning refrigeration, heating and ventilation at Niagara in 1975. The Labor party of Dominica was rejected after what Mr. Williams' party called 12 years of "corruption and mismanagement," the Dominica paper quoted him as saying.

Born in 1949, the former senior instuctor at Clifton Dupigny Technical College, Dominica, attended the Dominica Grammar School for technical and academic training, the newspaper said. A teaching assistant in the Paix Bouche district of Dominica, Mr. Williams attended Technical Teachers' Training College, St. Lucia, in 1975 before going on to a practical position in Trinidad.

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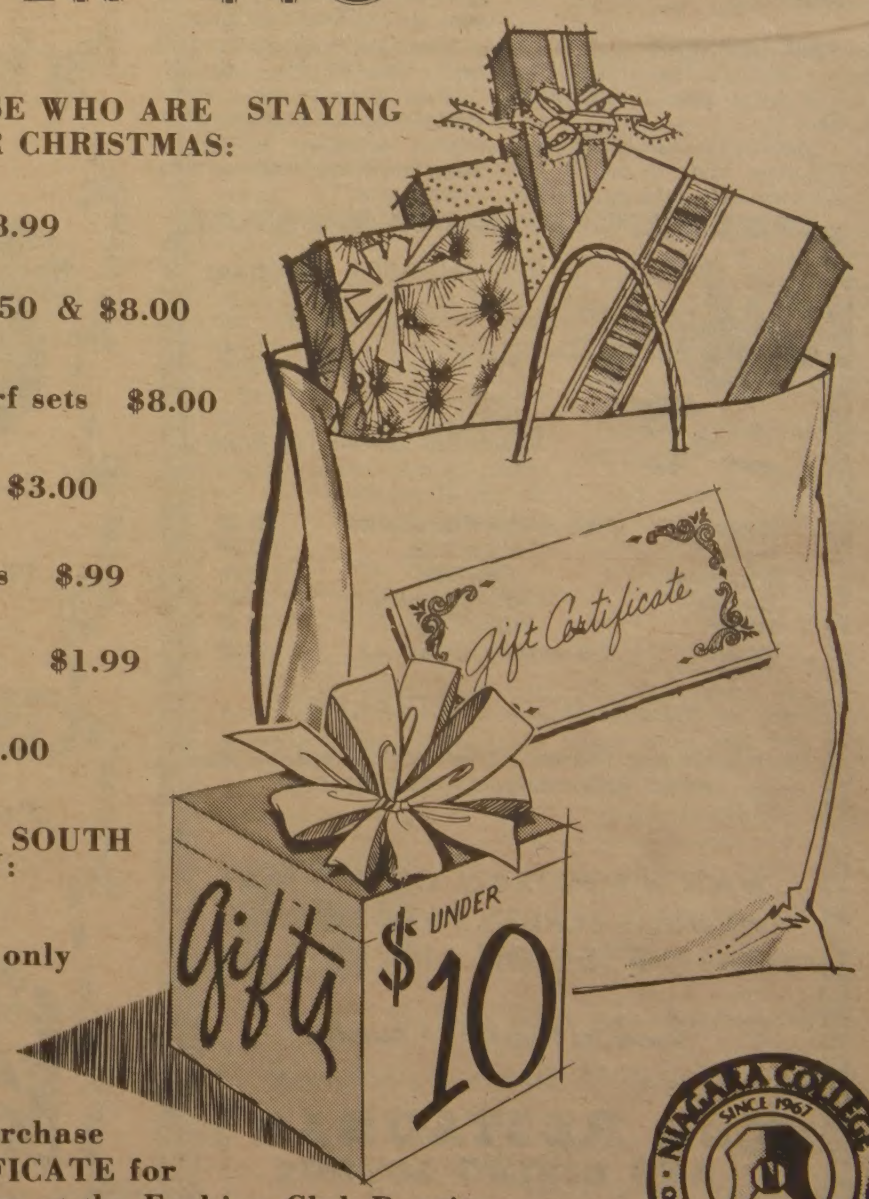

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